#### What is Junior Rangers?

"Junior Rangers" gather at more than 70 state parks from the redwood region, to the high sierra, to the sunny Southern California beaches. Children ages 7 to 12 are invited to take part in this exciting program, designed to help them discover the rich natural and cultural heritage preserved in parks.

#### Junior Rangers at Silver Strand State Beach

At Silver Strand State Beach, the Junior Ranger program takes place every Saturday from 3:30-4:30pm.

Junior Rangers can earn awards such as pins, certificates and patches as they progress through the program.

Activities take place outside so please dress for the weather. If you have concerns about the sun, please remember your sunscreen, hat, and any other sun protection you require. Feel free to bring a bottle of water to drink during the activity.

#### **California State Parks Mission**

The mission of California State Parks is to provide for the health, inspiration and education of the people of California by helping to preserve the state's extraordinary biological diversity, protecting its most valued natural and cultural resources, and creating opportunities for high-quality outdoor recreation.



#### **Directions to the State Beach**

The entrance to Silver Strand State Beach is located off Highway 75 between the cities of Coronado and Imperial Beach.

#### From Coronado-

**By car:** driving South on Highway 75, take the Coronado Cays Boulevard exit. At the bottom of the off ramp, turn west and follow Silver Strand Beach Road to the park entrance station.

**By bus**: take bus # 901 and get off at the Coronado Cays stop. Follow the sidewalk to the west of the highway and into the state beach.

#### From Imperial Beach-

**By car:** driving North on Highway 75, stop at the light with signs for "State Beach" and "Coronado Cays Blvd." Turn left and pass under the highway. Follow Silver Strand Beach Road to the park entrance station.

By bus: take bus # 901 and get off at the Coronado Cays stop. Follow the sidewalk south to the stoplight. Cross at the signal to pass under the highway. Follow the sidewalk into the state beach. Be careful of cars coming off the highway.

There is a fee to bring a car into the State Beach.

#### Once Inside the State Beach

Junior Ranger programs will begin near the tables outside the park headquarters. Look for the four-story-high tower on the ocean-side of the highway.

# **Silver Strand State Beach**

## Jr. Ranger Winter 2014 CALENDAR



#### Silver Strand State Beach

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### Silver Strand State Beach

## Winter 2014 Jr. Ranger Calendar

January							
S	M	Т	W	Т	F	S	
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
26	27	28	29	30	31		

February							
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
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March							
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
30	31						

Saturdays 3:30-4:30pm

### **Activity Topics**

#### January

4th Sand

11th Stormwater Pollution

18th Kelp

25th Energy

#### **February**

1st Invertebrates

8th Western Snowy Plover

15th Animal Tracks

22nd Plants

#### March

1st Birdwatching

8th Surprise!

15th Beach Safety

22nd Invertebrates

29th Grunion

Topics are subject to change.

To confirm, contact: Heather.Sanderson@parks.ca.gov (619) 823-5801

#### Where we meet

Junior Ranger programs will begin near the tables outside the park headquarters. Look for the four-story-high tower on the ocean-side of the highway.

Activities may take us to different areas of Silver Strand State Beach, but we will begin and end outside park headquarters.

#### For Parents and Guardians

Junior Rangers is designed for children ages **7-12**.

The Jr. Ranger program is offered free of charge, but there is a fee to drive into the state beach.

Each Jr. Ranger must be **signed up** by a parent or guardian. This may be done before the beginning of the program.

A parent or guardian should be available at the beach during Jr. Ranger programs in case of an emergency.

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